

Information literacy shapes each step of the multi-layered exegetical process that is scaffolded for students throughout the semester. Exegesis is the critical explanation and interpretation of a biblical text. There are two short assignments, each based upon a session with the librarian, that enable students to learn the basic steps of the process – primary source exploration and library skills. These prepare students for a final research paper that brings all the steps together.

In past versions of the final paper assignment, students have learned to tick the boxes for each step of the exegesis. Leslie led two classes on the development of and

different assigned texts. Even when a detailed grasp of textual criticism was not achieved, students showed an awareness of the developmental process of the primary text in positive ways.

Overall, this was a successful sequence of instruction and assignments. The text criticism component is